Mr. V. B. Vaidyanatha Ayyar.—To supervise the distilling work done by the contractor.

Mr. V. V. Anantapadmanabha Ayyar.—The whole manufacture is done by the contractor through his own agents; is it so?

Mr. V. B. Vaidyanatha Ayyar.—Yes.

Removal of timber.

88. **Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.**—Will the Government be pleased to lay on the Table of the House a copy of the *kychit* executed on 22nd March 1928 on behalf of "The Standard Tile and Clay Works Company, Alwaye" to the Conservator of Forests for the extraction of timber from the Malayattur reserve to the north of Padappara;

(b) how much and what kind of timber was removed in pursuance of this agreement;

(c) what was the total amount realised by the Government under such item of receipt from the Company under the terms of the agreement;

(d) was there a petition by K. Ethapanes to plant trees on the cleared area of 22 acres 61 cents if he is allowed to cultivate the area for the years without getting any timber for the same; if so, will a copy of the petition be kindly placed on the Table;

(e) what were the orders on the petition?

Mr. K. Ramunni Menon.—(a) (*Vide Appendix I.*)

(b) Tons 336·06 of jungle-wood fuel.

(c) Rs. 678—9—1.

(d) No.

(e) No reply is required in view of the answer to (d).

Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.—Is there any mistake in the figures given in answer to part (b) of the question?

Mr. K. Ramunni Menon.—It is not 336,06; it is only 336·06.

Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.—Was any timber removed from this area?

Mr. K. Ramunni Menon.—No. I have no information.

Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.—That was my question. My question was how much and what kind of timber was removed in pursuance of this agreement.

Mr. K. Ramunni Menon.—No timber has been removed.

Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.—To whom is the area now entrusted for cultivation? If entrusted, what are the terms of the contract? Is it not a fact that the area has been entrusted to Ethapanes?

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Mr. K. Ramunni Menon.—I think it is one Christian. I do not exactly remember his correct name.

Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.—Is it not Mr. K. Ethapanes?

Mr. K. Ramunni Menon.—No.

Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.—Who is it then ?

Mr. K. Ramunni Menon.—Some other man.

Planting of teak.

89. **Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.**—Will the Government be pleased to place on the Table of the House (a) a copy of the agreement executed by Mr. Palakka Pallyil Varu Joseph on 4th Chingam 1103 to the Conservator of Forests for the planting of teak ;

(b) will the Government be pleased to place on the Table of the House a list containing information of the area of teak planted on terms identical with or similar to the *kychits* referred to in questions Nos. 88 and 89 (a) under the following heads:—

(i) the total area planted in each reserve, (ii) the year of the agreement, (iii) the period covered by the agreement, (iv) name of the party to the agreement, (v) the quantity of timber and the kind of timber removed under the terms of the agreement, (vi) the amount realised by the Government under the various items of revenue due to the Government under the agreement, (vii) the extent of the area cleared and (viii) the number of trees planted?

Mr. K. Ramunni Menon.—(a) and (b). Copy of agreement and list are placed on the Council Table.

Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.—In my question I wanted to know the kind of timber removed by the contractors. That is not mentioned here. But I find so many logs only. C. L. Mathew 130 logs, and some fuel ; then Sait Mohamed Abdul Qadir 185 logs, Kalleli Lonappan 297 logs, Keicheri Thomas 617 logs, S. Mahamed Abdul Quadir 249 logs, one Joseph 296 logs, Chakkappan 193 logs, etc. I want to know what is the kind of timber.

Mr. K. Ramunni Menon.—The species have not been given here.

Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.—That was the question ; quantity of timber and the kind of timber removed was the question.

Mr. K. Ramunni Menon.—The species is not given.

Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.—Never mind. In the schedule itself, column 6, the amount realised by the Government under the various items of revenue due to the Department 'Nil, Nil, Nil.' Para (4) of the agreement shows that they have to pay seigniorage. Why was no amount realised ?

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